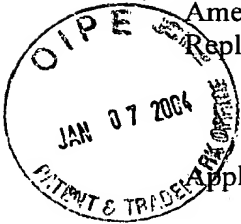


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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action of September 12, 2003, and is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. In that Office Action, a three month shortened statutory period was set for response. Applicants hereby petition for the necessary extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorize that the fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 in connection with this Amendment be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-2955. The extension of time fee is paid by the enclosed Fee Transmittal Form (Form PTO/SB/17). Furthermore, if it is determined that any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are due in connection with this Amendment or RCE, authorization is hereby given to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2955. In addition, applicants also request that any subsequently filed reply requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission be treated as if it incorporated such petition for an extension of time pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) and hereby authorize that any fees due in connection therewith be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-2955.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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